Mountain Weather Forecast

Bannau Brycheiniog (Brecon Beacons) National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Monday 18 Mar 2024 until 23:59 on Tuesday 19 Mar 2024

Forecast Issued on Monday 18 Mar 2024 at 01:43

Confidence: High for unsettled weather, with low cloud and rain. Moderate for timing of improvements.

Headline for Monday 18 Mar 2024: Largely dry for much of the day, with low cloud gradually lifting and breaking to allow bright or sunny spells. Deteriorating during the evening with summit gales and persistent rain.

Mountain weather hazards on Monday 18 Mar 2024

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Fog	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Cloudy	Light rain
Precipitation probability					
30%	<05%	<05%	10%	30%	60%

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Weather: Any early rain soon clearing after dawn to leave a largely dry morning with bright and sunny spells increasing as low cloud tends to break up. High cloud will increase during the afternoon, lowering to cover summits by sunset, with rain arriving during the evening, turning heavy at times and becoming persistent, particularly across the west of the National Park.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 20%, becoming briefly 80% during the afternoon, lowering to 20% by early evening.

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud base 300-400m at first, particularly in the west, rising through the morning to around 800m by midday and breaking up, clearing most summits for a time during the early afternoon. Low cloud will then increase again, lowering to 600m by early evening and then further to 300-400m. Good visibility outside cloud, poor in rain later, and very poor within cloud.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	18/24 SW	16/21 SW	18/25 SW	21/30 SW	22/30 SW	23/33 SW	24/34 S
300	10/23 SW	10/18 SW	13/23 SW	14/28 SW	12/25 SW	14/29 SW	16/32 S
Valley	7/20 SW	9/18 SW	12/23 SW	12/26 SW	10/23 SW	13/28 SW	14/31 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	6/2	6/1	7/3	8/4	7/2	7/2	6/2
300	8/5	9/6	11/8	11/8	9/7	9/6	8/5
Valley	8/7	9/7	11/9	11/9	10/8	10/7	9/6
Freezing Level*	1500m	1100m	1200m	1300m	1500m	1700m	2000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Best conditions expected around the middle of the day, once early low cloud has cleared. Good navigational skills will be required during the morning due to low cloud covering hills. Note increasing winds during the afternoon and evening.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
03:00 on Mon 18 Mar 2024	9.8mm	20.6mm	30.2mm

Forecast for Tuesday 19 Mar 2024

Weather: Early rain clearing by mid-morning, with cloud then tending to lift and break up to allow some brighter spells and scattered light showers to develop during the afternoon. Strong winds easing during the morning.

Maximum wind: South-westerly 25-30mph with gusts 40mph at first, easing.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops 600m: 30% becoming 80%.

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud with base around 400m at first, lifting towards 700m by the middle of the day, then lifting and breaking during the afternoon and early evening to clear the summits for a time. Cloud then gradually lowering to 600m and below later in the evening. Good visibility outside cloud, poor in early rain, and very poor within cloud.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 8 Celsius increasing to 13 Celsius
At 600m: Plus 6 Celsius
Freezing level: Above the summits

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